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SUBJ: GRUMMAN INTEREST IN AIRCRAFT FOR MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

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1. IN REPLY TO MAJOR QUESTION RAISED REF A, MR. ZUHAIR ALADDIN AL-MUFTY, PILOT INSTRUCTOR, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (MINAG) SAID THAT HE IS SURE MINISTRY WOULD WELCOME GRUMMAN TECHNICAL BRIEFING AND DEMONSTRATION OF GRUMMAN AG CAT. AIRCRAFT. MINISTRY CURRENTLY IN MARKET FOR TEN FIXED-WING AIRCRAFT. FYI: AL-MUFTY, WHO IS WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO USINT, WILL BE SPENDING NEXT FEW WEEKS AT SIERRA ACADEMY OF AERONAUTICS, OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA 94614 IF GRUMMAN WISHES CONTACT HIM. OTHER MINAG AVIATION OFFICIALS WILL ALSO BE AT SIERRA ACADEMY.

2. GRUMMAN SHOULD MAKE ITS PROPOSAL DIRECTLY TO DR. ALADDIN DAOUD, DIRECTOR GENERAL, CROP PROTECTION DEPARTMENT, AGRICULTURAL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND AGRARIAN REFORM, ABU GHRAIB, BAGHDAD. USINT RECOMMENDS GRUMMAN PROPOSE WHATEVER DATES IT THINKS BEST AND EXPRESS WILLINGNESS ACCOMMODATE TO ALTERNATIVE MINISTRY PREFERENCES, IF ANY. MINISTRY WILL PROBABLY TAKE CARE OF FLIGHT CLEARANCES FOR AG CAT, SUPPORT GRUMMAN VISA APPLICATION, AND LINE UP HOTEL

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ACCOMODATIONS, ETC. USINT WILL BE HAPPY MEET WITH

GRUMMAN TEAM AFTER ARRIVAL AND WILL HELP IN ANY WAY
WE CAN.

3. PASS ABOVE MESSAGE TO VICTOR GROIZAT OF GRUMMAN
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